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SUBJECT: CIVAIR-PAN AMERICAN CAPACITY INCREASE

REF: (A) STATE 176291, (B) STEINMETZ/ROBIN TELCON OF 8/16/76

1. ON JULY 19 EMBASSY PER REFTEL SENT NOTE TO FONMIN, WITH COMPLIMENTARY COPY TO DGAC, INFORMING GOM OF PAN AM PROPOSAL TO INCREASE FREIGHT CAPACITY. ON AUGUST 2 LOCAL PAN AM OFFICE FILED PROPOSED SCHEDULE WITH DGAC FOR CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL. PAN AM OFFICE WAS SUBSEQUENTLY INFORMED BY LETTER OF AUGUST 6 OF DISAPPROVAL OF THE PROPOSED SCHEDULE ON THE GROUNDS THAT MEXICO-U.S. BILATERAL DOES NOT PROVIDE FOR ALL-CARGO FLIGHTS.

2. EMBASSY HAS NOT YET RECEIVED OFFICIAL NOTIFICATION TO THIS EFFECT FROM FONMIN. WE UNDERSTAND RODRIGUEZ TORRES OF DGAC STILL HAS TO CLEAR POSITION WITH SECRETARY OF COMMUNICATIONS AND TRANSPORTATION BEFORE SENDING TEXT OF PROPOSED OFFICIAL REPLY TO FONMIN. RODRIGUEZ TORRES INDICATED TO PAN AM REP THAT LEGAL DEPT AT FONMIN MAY NOT ACCEPT DGAC INTERPRETATION THAT U.S.-MEXICAN BILATERAL DOES NOT ALLOW ALL-CARGO FLIGHTS. EMBASSY BELIEVES THE POSSIBILITY OF THIS TO BE SLIGHT GIVEN BASIC CONCERN OF DGAC--THAT IF THEY OKAY PAN AM ALL-CARGO SERVICE, PRECEDENT WILL BE SET, AND OTHER U.S. CARRIERS WILL REQUEST SIMILAR AUTHORIZATION THEREBY

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CAUSING EXCESSIVE CARGO CAPACITY ON ROUTES INTO

MEXICO WHICH WOULD HURT MEXICANA AND AEROMEXICO.
RODRIGUEZ, HOWEVER, DID RAISE WITH LOCAL REP THE
POSSIBILITY OF GRANTING TEMPORARY AUTHORIZATION TO
PAN AM. REP DISCUSSED THIS WITH EMBASSY TCO, WHO
IN TURN RAISED QUESTION WITH ROBIN IN DEPT. ON BASIS
OF TELCON, PAN AM REP WAS REQUESTED TO MAKE NO
COMMITMENT IN THIS REGARD, SINCE DEPT MAY WISH TO
CONTEXT GOM INTERPRETATION OF BILATERAL ONCE EXPECTED
OFFICIAL NOTIFICATION THEREON IS RECEIVED. ACCORDINGLY,
PAN AM REP DOES NOT INTEND TO PURSUE TEMPORARY PERMIT
POSSIBILITY WITH THE DGAC. HE HAS REQUESTED PAN AM
HEADQUARTERS TO POSTPONE INITIATION OF SERVICE FOR
THE TIME BEING.
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